

NORTHWEST ASKS QUICK WORK ON TRANSIT LINES

Delegation Calls Upon Mayor, Urging Precedence of Community's Claim

FUNDS NOT ADEQUATE

Smith Declines to Commit Himself Before Consulting With Director Twining

A concerted move on the part of the three Northwest wards, which will be served by the Parkway-Twenty-ninth street-Roxborough line, to have the construction work on this unit of the high-speed system begun immediately, was made this afternoon when a delegation from the Twenty-first, Twenty-ninth and Thirty-eighth Wards presented their case to the Mayor.

The members of the delegation offered strong objection to the present program of the Transit Department to construct the Transit "L" and the North-Broad street subway next in order after the completion of the Frankford "L." The claims and the needs of the Northwest, they declared, should take precedence over these two sections and the line to serve them should be constructed immediately after the completion of the Frankford branch.

The delegation included Councilmen from the three wards and members of the Falls of the Schuylkill Business Men's Association, the Twenty-first Ward Board of Trade, the Manayunk Business Men's Association and the Northwest Business Men's Association and the transportation committee of the United Business Men's Association.

The spokesmen for the delegation included Charles Cox, former Councilman from the Thirty-eighth Ward; J. W. Flanagan and John S. Turner. The Mayor heard their plea under consideration, but took their plea under consideration today. He will take the matter up with Transit Director Twining in a few days.

The Mayor promised the delegation to look into their request at once and see what could be done. Immediately after they left he summoned Director Twining, and the two conferred upon the question of the northwest line.

The latest estimates of the Transit Department show the cost of the northwest line to be \$10,875,000, irrespective of real estate assessments. A total of \$7,500,000 is available for the line, which the Director estimates will be sufficient to carry the construction work to Henry avenue and Wissahickon Creek.

It will be impossible to carry the line beyond this point, at any rate, until the proposed Henry avenue bridge is constructed. An item of \$600,000 for this bridge was included in the \$10,000,000 municipal loan recently abandoned for lack of sufficient borrowing capacity. No appropriation for the bridge can be made until another loan is floated.

The bridge, as planned, will cost about \$750,000. The difference between this sum and the \$600,000 in the municipal loan, it was planned, would be taken from the transit fund, in consideration of the fact that the high-speed line is to use a portion of the bridge.

It was learned today that Mayor Smith intended to call the special session of Council on March 22 instead of March 29, provided the printers have by that time completed the report of Director Twining upon the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company's proposed loans. The change would be made in order to get the lease discussion before the public as soon as possible.

BRINGS SUIT TO HALT HARRISON PAINT SALE

Robert S. Perry, Ex-President, Delays \$5,700,000 Purchase by du Ponts

Simultaneously with the announcement this afternoon of the sale of the Harrison Paint Company to E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. for \$5,700,000, a summons was entered in Common Pleas Court by Robert S. Perry, a former president.

The suit will delay the consummation of the deal with the du Pont company. It was said later, although Graham C. Woodward, counsel for Perry, stated that he could give no information at present regarding the facts on which the suit was based.

The suit was brought shortly after stockholders of the paint company had ratified the sale. Only 425 out of 25,000 votes were recorded as being against the transaction, but R. C. Kerr, owner of 200 shares of preferred stock, filed a formal protest against the deal through his attorney.

The sale of the paint company marks the union of two of the oldest and best-known manufacturing firms in the country, Harrison's having been established in 1793 and the powder company in 1802. It was said that no change in the conduct of the business would be made, but that everything would continue as usual. The purchase price will pay to preferred stockholders and accrued dividends and to common stockholders immediately after payment of commissions and other expenses.

The business will be conducted by a new Pennsylvania corporation known as "Harrison, Inc.," for which a charter has been asked. The incorporators are Lamont du Pont, Dr. Charles L. Reese and Charles A. Menck, of the powder company, and A. R. Gilman and William Ritcher, secretary of the Harrison Company.

Swinging Ladder Helps Thieves
Athletic thieves used a swinging ladder to enter the home of John Longacre, himself a former athlete at Harvard, and steal jewelry worth \$300. The thieves, according to reports reaching the police today, descended into the second story of Longacre's home, at 2021 Pine street, by means of ropes swung from the house next door.

No Hearing Set for Idiocy Bill
HARRISBURG, March 15.—The announcement that there would be a hearing on the Idiocy bill today was incorrect. No date has been fixed for a hearing.

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PAUL PREACHED AGAINST SCANDALS AND DIVORCES

Rev. J. B. Halsey, in Lenten Sermon, Tells of Apostle's Work in Corinth

Scandals and divorces in ancient Corinth were fought by the Apostle Paul by means of fundamental principles of Christian life, which are weapons that should be used against modern evils, according to the Rev. James B. Halsey, of Roxborough, in today's Lenten sermon in Old Christ Church, Second street, above Market. Rules to govern life suffice for children, he said, but adults should govern their lives by the eternal principles which Paul laid down in his First Epistle to the Corinthians.

"The epistle must be interpreted in the light of what Paul found when he went to Corinth," said the speaker. "Sitting on an obelisk with harbors fronting east and west, it stood midway between the commerce of the Adriatic and the eastern Mediterranean and the caravan route from the East. Its population was the most cosmopolitan of any city in the world. Peopled by foreigners, principally Romans and Jews, it was a city of peculiar activities and temptations. Paul found the Christian church at Corinth."

"The church in such close contact with paganism had allowed paganism to intrude itself. There were scandals and divorces also. Paul, instead of laying down certain rules which would only have corrected the local conditions, tried to place before the Corinthians certain fundamental principles which are at the root of all Christian life, and which for the most modern life today are sufficient to meet our problems."

"Thus he sums up this epistle: 'And

PASTOR DEPLORES MORAL LAXITY IN BORDER CAMPS

Laxity of the United States army authorities with regard to the moral welfare of the troops down on the border was deplored by the Rev. Dr. George Craig Stewart, of Evanston, Ill., who spoke on the subject, "The Sacredness of the Home," at the noon-day Lenten service at the Garrick Theatre today.

"The Government," said Doctor Stewart, "took elaborate precautions to insure the health of the men while they were in camp. Sanitary conditions, I understand, within the camp spaces were excellent. Nevertheless, a lot of bad Mexican and American women were allowed to hang around outside of the camp and undermine the soldiers' morality."

STATE TO SPEND \$160,000 FOR MT. GRETTA CAMP

HARRISBURG, March 15.—Adjutant General Stewart and Governor Brumbaugh have planned to ask the Legislature to re-appropriate for the permanent improvement of Mt. Gretna the \$160,000 act aside by the last Legislature for the 1314 encampments of the National Guard, which money was not expended because of the militia's having been called to the border.

The United States has chosen Mt. Gretna as the mobilization point of the National Guard of Pennsylvania in the event of call into the Federal service. The site is well situated so far as central location, purity of water and other essentials of a military encampment are concerned, but there were many complaints last summer of failure of the State to put the ground into proper condition for the use of troops. The roads were almost impassable at times, despite the efforts of the State Highway Department toward temporary improvement.

GERMANTOWN SALOON LICENSE ATTACKED

Mermaid Hotel Under Fire of Militant Foes of the Liquor Traffic

The No-License League of Germantown today began its fight against saloons in the Twenty-second Ward by an attack in the License Court upon the license held by Adam Lotz, proprietor of the Mermaid Hotel, at Germantown avenue and Mermaid lane.

The Rev. Charles W. Green, pastor of the Chestnut Hill Methodist Church, said that he had seen more whisky bottles "decorating hedges and lawns in Germantown in the last few years than I saw in the forty years I was away."

"There are as many confirmed inebriates in that residential section of the city as one would expect to find in what is commonly called the slums," added the clergyman. "Men whom I have known since boyhood days and who withstood the battle for years now seem to be 'soused' continuously."

The minister did not make any specific reference to the Lotz license, but others did. John Marsden, 111 East Mermaid lane, only a few houses distant from the saloon, told the court that since Lotz took the place it has been a source of annoyance to the neighborhood. He has observed young girls leaving the place staggering and using profanity in loud conversations with men escorts. Since last August Marsden said his sleep had been disturbed about six times by parties leaving the cafe.

"Does the singing annoy you?" asked Judge Finletter. "There's a piece near me where they do a good bit of singing, but

STOCK THOUGHT

Settlement of Late Pennay Student Shows Holding Has Been Worth \$1

Stock valued at \$1 two years ago, and developed today when the estate of Pennay was adjudicated today in the Norrisstown. The entire value of the stock was placed at \$1,135,310, of which the widow receives the income for life. At death the estate is to be divided among sons and a grandchild.

The stock in question was "an interest in the Faraday Coal and Coke Company." After the estate was appraised two years ago one of the sons visited H. C. Frick, iron magnate in New York, and told him about the stock. "I'll give you \$100,000 for it," said Frick. He did.

100,000 ESTATE IN PROBATE

Woman's Will Disposes of Wealth in Private Bequests

Wills probated today were those of Lillian C. Foxwell, 1801 North Broad street, which in private bequests, disposes of an estate valued at more than \$100,000; Charles E. Barber, 1623 North Seventeenth street, \$10,500; Jobst W. Hagemann, 1222 North 13th street, \$8500; Louis Armbruster, 1280 Pomeroy street, \$6000; Annie C. Arbeta, 387 North Broad street, \$4600; Walter E. Hickey, 2280 Melville street, \$4200; Mary E. Lapp, 1435 North Paxson street, \$3800; Jane McKee, 1303 Columbia avenue, \$3300; and Margaret K. Hull, 208 North Forth street, \$2400.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

William Gordon, 1309 Potts st., and Gertrude Collins, 1241 N. Allen st.; Frank B. Ludwig, Millville, Pa., and Clara P. Fritz, Benton, Pa.; Jean Brown, Doyle, Pa., and Alice J. Jackson, 1321 Myrtle st.; Alex. Brown, 151 Poplar st., and Tillie Stark, 105 Manning st.; Joe Rosella, 638 Spruce st., and Emilia Taylor, 108 H. E. Erwin, 2401 E. Letterly st., and Carl Schneider, 2400 N. Front st., and Anna Brandman, 330 S. 6th st.; William Richards, 4049 Powelton ave., and Arthur Fritz, Newark, N. J., and Madeline Verrell, 1700 S. Broad st.; Harry H. Holsch, 122 E. Lanesy st., and Lizzie Kelly, 123 Dr. Lanesy st.; Albert A. Carrigan, 4218 N. 15th st., and Nellie M. Power, 41 Sandwood ave.; Charles Peoley, 2341 Webster st., and Cath. Judge Marce, 275 W. Chester st.; Jacob G. Boale, 3219 Emerald st., and Grace Clark, 221 E. Mayfield st.

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